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Story Living, Search, and Data at Ben & Jerry's

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Story

- Story living.
- Global publishing model on 25 websites around the world.
- Fans, Fun, Flavors, F'values.







Opportunity

- Need insight to inform content and design.
- Must be agile and repeatable.
- Find paths in BrightEdge platform and through other partners.







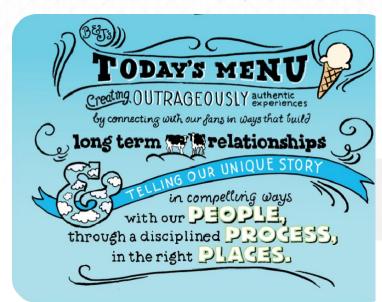
Base Mix

- Organic search drives ~50% of our web traffic.
- Done well, SEO delivers on marketing's objectives.
- Documenting brand's tone and content strategy is essential as keywords will be woven throughout each channel.
- Approached as a continuous and holistic cycle.
- Content, campaign strategy, and social sharing optimized for organic search.



Strategy

- Content strategy and mix is informed by brand priorities, search behavior, analytics, and social sharing performance.
- Balance between what data shows and brand priorities.
- Use data to make educated decisions, but will talk about what we want to.







Timing

Marketing develops content calendar based on objectives and campaigns.

Values				Fun	Flavors	Tours/Events	
Climate	Dough Out	LGBT	Other				
Businesses Need to Lead in Renewable Energy	What if you had to buy Ben & Jerry's like people buy elections?	I Dough, I Dough update	Profile: Serious Fun	Fall Milkshake Recipes	Non-Dairy Update	SOS Tour - Minneapolis	
It's not climate change, it's everything change'	\$\$\$ Spent Lobbying Congress	Pride Parade - Burlington	Profile: Method	Cannoli and Holy Cannoli: What's the Story?	Cookie Core Sundaes		
Disappearing Snow and Glaciers			Profile: Homeboy Industries	Top Limited Batches			
Agroforestry in Uguanda				The Cherry Garcia Story			
Manure Separator Update				Wilbur Wright: 30 Years Making Ice Cream			

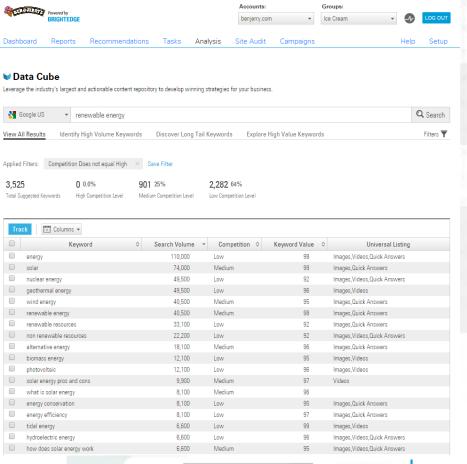






Discover & Build

- Discovery of keywords and potential content areas.
- Keywords and brief sent to copywriters.
- Page design for search and share.
- Sitemap.









Engagement Tagging

- Content is tagged with code from LooseGrip to collect consumption data.
 - loosegrip.net
 - Depth of content seen.
 - Time engaged with page.
 - Value of visit.





PAGE	AVG. ENG TIME	X SITE AVG.
/WHATS-NEW/WEIRDEST-FLAVORS-EVER/	100.2	4.0
/VALUES/ISSUES-WE-CARE-ABOUT/CLIMATE-JUSTICE/SOLAR- ENERGY-FUTURE/	99.55	4.0
/WHATS-NEW/COOKIE-CORE-GURU/	91.29	3.7
/WHATS-NEW/CORPORATE-SOCIAL-RESPONSIBILITY-HISTORY/	85.17	3.4
/WHATS-NEW/WORLD-FLAVORS/	83.87	3.4
/VALUES/ISSUES-WE-CARE-ABOUT/CLIMATE-JUSTICE/ CLIMATE-LETTER-JOSTEIN/	75.42	3.0
/FLAVORS/HOW-WE-MAKE-ICE-CREAM/	73.31	2.9
/SCOOP-SHOPS/FLAVOR-FANATIC-ENTRY/	72.81	2.9





SOURCE	SESSIONS	AVERAGE ENGAGED TIME	SHARES	VISITORS PER SHARE
GOOGLE / ORGANIC	341970	35	1683	166
FACEBOOK / PAID	254973	25	321	764
(DIRECT) / (NONE)	155754	31	983	132
M.FACEBOOK.COM / REFERRAL	150118	63	1330	104
GOOGLE / CPC	43724	41	223	158
OUTBRAIN / CPC	24911	70	276	86
CHUNKMAIL15-0819 / EMAIL	20902	63	395	40
YAHOO / ORGANIC	16220	40	67	196
FACEBOOK.COM / REFERRAL	12000	43	122	89
BING / ORGANIC	10528	43	34	252
-INTERESTING OTHERS-				
T.CO / REFERRAL	8142	43	121	56
INSTAGRAM / SOCIAL	4816	34	57	61
TABOOLA / CPC	2721	57	18	139



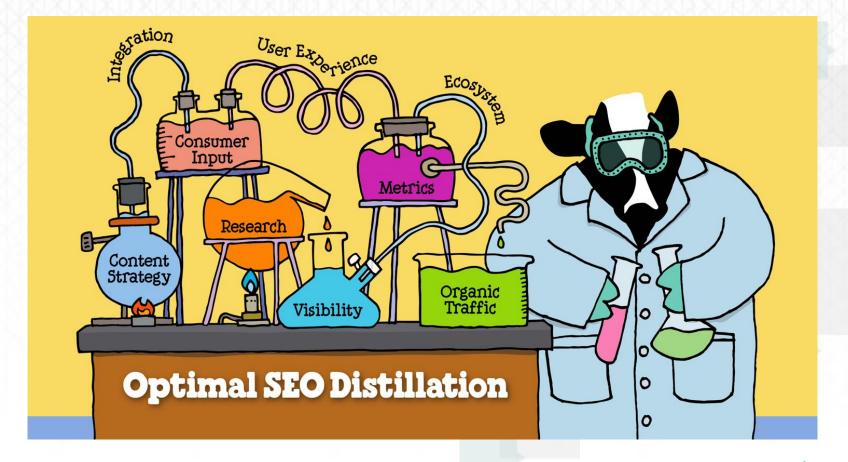


Engagement Data

Q2 2015

- 3,645,363 minutes / 2,532 days / 6.936 years spent engaged (+30%).
- Average engaged time per visitor 0:29, up from 0:24.
- Super Visitors (30 seconds+ engaged, 75% scroll depth) 634,346 (+100%).





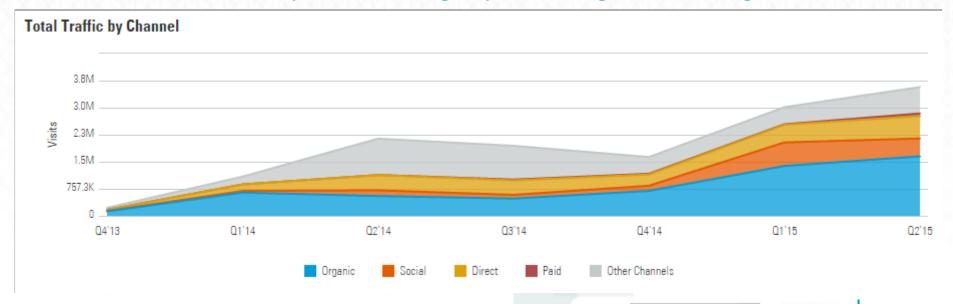






Crawl, walk, run...

- 12-18 months ago: publishing with basic SEO activity.
- Now: Research, analysis, marketing buy-in, adding data learnings.







Crawl, walk, run...

- Organic search is highest traffic driver.
- Leading performer in average time on site and bounce rate.

Channel	Visits \$	Visits Change \$	Page Views 🌣	Page Views Change	Avg. Time On Site \$	Avg. Time On Site Change	Bounce Rate \$	Bounce Rate Change
Organic	1,094,555	395,053 🔺	3,056,389	1,094,610 🔺	0:02:31	No Change	34.11%	3.65% ▼
Social	360,705	216,271 🔺	538,965	281,390 🔺	0:01:04	0:00:21 🔺	50.77%	23.60% 🔻
Direct	371,789	55,812 🔺	859,989	190,542 🔺	0:02:00	0:00:23 🔺	47.81%	17.52% 🔻
Paid	10,461	8,378 ▼	16,829	8,850 ▼	0:01:51	0:01:02 🔺	53.47%	25.19% 🔻
Other Channels	286,283	183,025 ▼	497,390	224,939 🔻	0:01:16	0:00:24 🔺	63.89%	15.07% 🔻
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^{*} Data for Q1 2015 is calculated from Jan 01 to Mar 14







Learnings

- Educating stakeholders is key as SEO management is a cross functional effort.
- A robust SEO strategy creates a framework for online presence (web, social, email, images).
- Develop a production and monitoring process.
- Assess effectiveness quarterly.
- Move mindset from "digital marketing" to "marketing in a digital age."
- The BrightEdge platform allows us to bring SEO into our daily lives as digital marketers for research, insight, and analysis.
- Can easily optimize page content as well as make broader site infrastructure recommendations without a "SEO department" or agency.





That's All, Folks!

- Not everything that can be counted counts, and not everything that counts can be counted." - William Bruce Cameron (sociologist)
- "If it's not fun, why do it?" Jerry Greenfield (ice cream guy)

